

REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement, applicants elect Group I *without traverse* and have canceled the non-elected claims without prejudice. Applicants have also amended claim 15 to be in independent form so that it does not depend from non-elected claims.

In light of the above, early allowance of claims 1-11 and 15 is solicited.

In the event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing 361752002200.

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